

REMARKS

Claims 1-22 are all the claims pending in the application.

In the Election of Species Requirement dated December 14, 2004, the Examiner has required Applicant to select one of the following species for prosecution on the merits:

Species I - Figure 3;
Species II - Figure 4;
Species III - Figure 5;
Species IV - Figure 6;
Species V - Figure 7;
Species VI - Figure 8;
Species VII - Figure 9; and
Species VIII - Figure 10.

The Examiner believes that there are no generic claims.

In response to this Election of Species Requirement, Applicant elects Species V (FIG. 7) with traverse. Applicant submits that at least claims 1-11 and 14-15 are readable thereon.

As an initial matter, Applicant disagrees with the Examiner regarding his assertion that FIG. 3 and FIG. 4 are separate species. As made clear in the specification, FIG. 4 is a cross-sectional view of the illumination module shown in FIG. 3. See paragraphs 29-30.

Further, Applicant disagrees with the Examiner's assertion no claim is generic. Applicant submits that claim 1 is generic with respect to each of the alleged species. In addition, Applicant submits that claim 16 is generic to Species VI-VII (FIGS. 8-9).

CONCLUSION

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the


RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT
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Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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